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SUBJECT: SINGLE CELL PROTEIN

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1 BOTH ICI AND BRITISH PETROLEUM HAVE MADE SEPARATE PROPOSALS TO OIL MINISTRY CONCERNING ESTABLISHMENT OF A SINGLE CELL PROTEIN (SCP) OR "PETROPROTEIN" OPERATION. MINISTRY IS NOW STUDYING PROPOSALS. OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR STUDY ARE OUT OF KUWAIT AT PRESENT AND WILL NOT RETURN UNTIL NEXT WEEK.

2. ACCORDING TO GOK SOURCE, NO AGENT IS INVOLVED IN PETROPROTEIN PROJECT AS MIDDLE MAN. WHILE CONTACTING GHAZI AL-NAFISI ON ANOTHER MATTER, WE ASKED WHETHER HIS FIRM REPRESENTED ICI. AL-NAFISI REPLIED IN THE NEGATIVE, AND SAID THAT ICI AGENT IN KUWAIT IS ABDULLA SAYID RAJAB AL-RIFAI. AL-NAFISI ALSO DENIED THAT HE WAS THE REP FOR PROVESTA OR PHILLIPS, AND AFFIRMED THAT HE HAS JUST HELD BUSINESS DISCUSSIONS WITH THE COMPANY. EMBASSY ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT WALEED HADEED (PARA 4, REFTTEL) BUT HE IS OUT OF KUWAIT.

3. BESIDES OIL MINISTRY, ORGANIZATION OF ARAB PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES (HEADQUARTERED IN KUWAIT) HAS ALSO STUDIED PETROPROTEINS. RESULTS OF THEIR PRELIMINARY UNCLASSIFIED

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EXAMINATION APPEAR TO BE NEGATIVE.

4. COMMENT: SINCE MALEK WAS LAST IN KUWAIT, OIL MINISTRY HAS TAKEN DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY FOR CONSIDERATION OF POSSIBLE PETROPROTEIN PROJECT. NEITHER KNPC NOR KOC GAS PROJECT ARE NOW INVOLVED DIRECTLY IN CONSIDERATION OF PETROPROTEIN PROJECT. IN PHONE

DISCUSSION WITH MALEK IN JANUARY E/C SECTION CHIEF
BUCK SUGGESTED MALEK CONTACT OIL MINISTRY. IF HE HAS
NOT DONE SO, MOST APPROPRIATE CONTACT WOULD BE DR.
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